

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 2, line 17, delete "SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION".

Page 3, line 10, insert -- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --.

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 67, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph as follows:

a2 -- Fig. 47 shows a detailed structure of the base station 103. In the drawing, parts having the same functions as those in Fig. 14 are denoted by the same reference numerals as those in Fig. 14. In this connection, the base station may have such display and input sections as shown in Fig. 11 and be operated as in the first embodiment. A storage 590 as a part different from Fig. 14 will be explained in the following. ~~Stores~~ Stored in the storage 590 are found device files. The found device file describes portable communication terminals present in the vicinity of the base station 103, and includes device addresses assigned to the radio sections of the portable communication terminals found by the base station 103 and the found date. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 74, line 6 through page 77, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph as follows:

a3 -- Fig. 55 shows a flowchart for explaining the operation of the server computer 630 when the base station provider performs the base station offer procedure over the advertisement company with use of the terminal 631. It is assumed therein that the base station offer procedure includes new addition of a base station to be

offered, stoppage of offer of the base station already offered, and modification of private information of the base station provider. The base station offer procedure, which will be explained below, is carried out by the server computer 630 which causes the terminal 631 to display various base station offer procedure information on the display screen of the terminal 631 connected via the network 100 and by the base station provider who operates the terminal 631 according to the display information. When the terminal 631 is connected to the server computer 630, the controller 120 performs the following operations under control of the main program stored in the main program storage 124. The server computer first examines whether or not the base station provider is a new provider (step 670). When the accessed base station provider is a new provider, the server computer prompts the new base station provider to conduct a new registration. In the new registration procedure, the server computer accepts an ID and password of the new provider (step 671). To avoid double registration, the server computer examines whether or not the accepted ID or password is already used by another base station provider (step 672). When the accepted ID or password is already used, the server computer prompts the new provider to enter a different ID or password. When the accepted ID or password is not used yet, the server computer creates a base station provider file on the basis of the ID and password and registers it in the base-station provider database 650 (step 673). Then the server computer causes the terminal 631 to display regulations/conditions determined by the advertisement company for the base station provider on its display section (step 674), and examines whether or not the base station provider approves it (step 675). The above regulations/conditions

include, for example, a time zone for the base station to be operated, functions/performances to be provide with the base station, conditions of generation of the result/return fee, and how to calculate the result/return fee. When the base station provider approved the above regulations/conditions, the server computer accepts the private information on the base station provider and the installation location of the base station (step 679), and registers the accepted private information in the base-station provider database 650 (step 680). The server computer next transmits to the terminal 631 a software application which enables the offered base station to be operated as one of the base stations in the system (step 682). The base station provider installs the software in the base station before a date presented by the advertisement company. And the server computer examines whether or not the software is already installed in the base station (step 683). When the software is already installed, the server computer assigns an ID to the new base station, registers it in the base-station provider database 650, calculates an advertisement fee basic charge on the basis of the installation location accepted in the step 679, creates a file relating to the base station, and registers it in the base station database 123. On the other hand, when the base station provider is not a new provider in the step 670, the server computer accepts the already-assigned ID and password of the base station provider (step 676), and examines whether or not the entered ID and password are correct (step 677). The server computer next examines whether or not the procedure contents of the base station provider indicates the stoppage of offer of the base station (step 678). When the procedure contents is not the offer stoppage, the server computer performs the operations of

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the step 579 and subsequent steps. The server computer examines whether or not the procedure contents indicates new addition of a base station in the step 681.

When the procedure contents is not the new addition, the server computer does not perform the steps 682 and 683. When the procedure contents is the offer stoppage of the base station in the step 678, the server computer accepts the assignment of the base station to be stopped (step 684), and informs the advertiser of the

a3 advertisement information being distributed to the assigned base station of the fact of the stoppage of the advertisement information distribution of the base station in question (step 685). The server computer then deletes information corresponding to the assigned base station from the associated databases at a timing determined between the advertiser and base station provider (step 686). --
